

PREFERRED APARTMENT COMMUNITIES INC  
 Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BARTKOWSKI STEVE**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**PREFERRED APARTMENT COMMUNITIES INC [APTS]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 06/20/2016

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

PREFERRED APARTMENT COMMUNITIES, INC., 3284 NORTHSIDE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 150

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

ATLANTA, GA 30327

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock, par value 0.01	06/20/2016		S		16,045	D	\$ 14.13 <u>(1)</u>
					48,175	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
*(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)*

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
Class A Units	\$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>			Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable <sup>(2)</sup> Expiration Date <sup>(2)</sup>	Comon Stock	Amount or Number of Shares 1,223

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BARTKOWSKI STEVE  
 PREFERRED APARTMENT COMMUNITIES, INC.  
 3284 NORTHSIDE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 150  
 ATLANTA, GA 30327

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## Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey R. Sprain,  
 attorney-in-fact

06/22/2016

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) The price reported is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$14.10 to \$14.1804, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Preferred Apartment Communities, Inc., any security holder of Preferred Apartment Communities, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

(2) Represents Class A Units ("Class A Units") of Preferred Apartment Communities Operating Partnership, L.P., of which Preferred Apartment Communities, Inc. (the "Company") is the general partner. Each Class A Unit may be exchanged for one share of the Company's common stock, or cash, as selected by the Company. Class A Units have no expiration date.

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